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In re Patent Application of:

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Serial No. 09/629,830

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE DETECTION OF MICROORGANISMS BY
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Application Branch

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Date: September 28, 2000

The attached completes filing of the above-identified patent application:

- ☒ Signed Rule 63 Declaration alone OR
☐ Signed Declaration plus attached copy of originally filed specification/drawings.
☒ **NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION NOT YET RECEIVED.**
☒ Record and return the attached assignment.
☒ Priority is hereby claimed per Rule 55 & 35 USC119 based on prior foreign application(s) Nos.:
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respectively.

- ☐ This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):
Application No. **Filing Date**

respectively and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

Certified copy(ies) of foreign and/or provisional application(s): ☐ attached; ☐ already filed on _____.
 in U.S. Application Serial No. _____, filed on _____.

- ☐ The undersigned verifies that the above-identified application is identical to: filed _____, as amended on _____.
☒ 2 Verified Statements attached establishing "small entity" status (Rules 9 & 27)
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Fees are attached as calculated below:

Basic filing fee				\$	690.00
Total Effective claims	20	- 20 =	0	x \$	18.00
Independent claims	6	- 3 =	3	x \$	78.00
If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$260.00 (ignore improper)					\$ 0.00
FILING FEE					\$ 924.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$380.00/2 months; \$870.00/3 months; \$1360.00/4 months)					\$ 0.00
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FIRST SUBTOTAL					\$ 1,054.00
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SECOND SUBTOTAL					\$ 527.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)					\$ 40.00
TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED					\$ 567.00

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